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# War Memorials Trust works to protect and conserve all war memorials within the UK

#### Objectives of War Memorials Trust

- To improve the condition of war memorials, in their historic design and setting, to support their longterm preservation in-line with best conservation practice, sustainability and the challenges of climate change
- To increase the understanding of best conservation practice including how to maintain, protect, repair and conserve war memorials appropriately as well as raise awareness of the support available from War Memorials Trust
- To enhance public engagement with, and the recognition of local responsibility for, war memorials
- To sustain access to grant funding to support repair and conservation works in-line with best conservation practice
- To increase the money raised by the charity to deliver its vision to protect and conserve war memorials

#### Membership rates

War Memorials Trust membership rates (membership rates valid until end of March 2022):

Annual membership: £20 individual or £30 joint Life membership: £250 individual or £350 joint

#### **Grant schemes**

War Memorials Trust administers grant schemes for the repair and conservation of war memorials in the UK. Most types of war memorials are covered and all works funded need to follow best conservation practice.

To find out if your war memorial project could get a grant you need to fill in a Grants Pre-application form. A member of the Conservation Team will review the type of memorial, the proposed works and costs. If your project is eligible we will send you an Application Form. For more information <u>www.warmemorials.org/grants</u>, <u>conservation@warmemorials.org</u> or call 020 7233 7356.

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## **Message from the Director**

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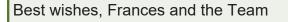
A little belated, but Happy New Year. As it is the first Bulletin of 2022 it feels the right way to start. We hope the year is going well for you so far. And that the next few months see further progress in our return to a bit more normality in our daily lives.

Talking about returns we are delighted in this issue to advise you that Ffion Jones has rejoined the staff. Members may recall us reporting in the Bulletin 12 months ago that she was leaving her Maternity Cover role to move to a contract with Historic England. Following Peter Lloyd's departure in Autumn 2021 Ffion is back as a Conservation Officer although this time she will be based in Wales, rather than London. Following this change the Conservation Team has swapped some of the regions they cover around so if you have been dealing with someone on an issue it may change depending on the area.

Our front cover this issue is Clayton war memorial in Greater Manchester, courtesy of Manchester City Council via War Memorials Online. It is one of four memorials in Manchester to have recently received support see pages 10-11 for further details. With Peter leaving, responsibility for covering work in the North West of England has passed to Andrew as one example of the changes mentioned above.

On pages 6-7 you will find details of a number of war memorials across the UK that staff are seeking help with. The response to our Can you help? requests was fantastic in 2021 so we are continuing to feature these in 2022. Thank you to everyone who has been in touch about those shown in the Bulletin or the others they have investigated from the website. We really appreciate this assistance. Images of some of the new cases we are seeking help with are shown right.

The charity relies on the help of our supporters and we thank you all for your assistance both financial and time.



Top: Silkstone (WM2741) © Silkstone Parish Council, 2017 Middle: Burwell (WM3948) © St Mary's church, 2017 Bottom: Kilwinning (WM1822) © North Ayrshire Council, 2016



## War Memorials Trust news - Corporate fundraising

In recent months we have been reviewing a lot of potential corporate donors. Many companies focus their charitable and community work on employee-led ideas and initiatives meaning the Trust cannot apply directly. So, we are hoping to find supporters who might help or nominate us.

We would like to ask those of our members and supporters who work whether they can investigate your employers approach to charitable giving and whether there might be mechanisms to access support for War Memorials Trust. If you no longer work but have family or friends who do, and they share your interest in war memorials, perhaps you can ask them to look into this with their employer. We appreciate that employers vary significantly and not all will have charity schemes but one can ask the question.

#### **Employee war memorials**

Does your employer have a war memorial? Many do but often people are unaware of them. A simple step can be identifying it, making sure it is being appropriately cared for and then potentially using it to generate interest in our wider work.

Several larger employers have fantastic records of their war memorials. The <u>Royal</u> <u>Mail memorials</u> database details the war memorials in Post Offices and depots around the country. NatWest Group has detailed records for over 300 war memorials in its care with information on the dedicated remembrance section of its <u>website</u>. When paying-in donations we pass the memorial in the Victoria Street branch, shown below.



H O Johnson (WMO/253408) © C Reynolds, 2017

#### Volunteering

Many employers increasingly offer staff the opportunity to take time each year to do voluntary work. If you would like to get involved with War Memorials Online, but struggle to find time, then perhaps you could consider using your volunteer day to go and check the war memorials in your local area. Or, if you are concerned about litter or weeds you could contact the custodians and offer to use your time to do a clean-up alone, or with your Team. We are aware that a lot of people who keep an eye on their local war memorial have been limited in what they can do during the pandemic so someone helping out may be appreciated.

#### Chosen or nominated charities

Many companies have a charities committee or a scheme to support one or more charities. Often the beneficiary organisations have to be nominated by a member of staff. Can you have a look at the criteria and see if WMT might be eligible?

#### Match-giving

Some employers will match money raised by their staff irrespective of the charity. If you do a 10k run with the target of raising £250 from family and friends then your employer might match that so you secure £500. Again, making enquiries about whether your employer offers that type of support can open up opportunities for you. You can raise more money to help your chosen charity than you might otherwise achieve.

#### **Payroll giving**

Payroll giving is a means to donate to charity without paying tax. The donation is made by your employer through the PAYE system before they calculate your tax, giving you some tax relief. Some employers will matchgive on payroll giving.

If you would like to discuss any of these issues, or would like us to send you some additional literature for your employer to read, then please get in touch. We are happy to provide anything that might help. Contact details can be found on page 2.

## War Memorials Trust news

#### Welcome back Ffion

I am very pleased to return to War Memorials Trust as a full-time Conservation Officer. Previously, I covered Emma and Brogan's Maternity Leaves between August 2019 and January 2021, weathering the storm through the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. I left the charity for Historic England where I worked as a National Listing Adviser on a Local Listing project as well as an Inclusive Heritage project.

Prior to this, I worked as a Conservation Officer at a local planning authority in Cambridgeshire. I hold a BA(Hons) in History of Art from the University of Warwick and a Postgraduate Diploma in Building History from the University of Cambridge. I look forward to using my experience and expertise, again, to provide advice, support grant projects and ultimately improve the condition of war memorials throughout the United Kingdom.



Ffion at Dunster Watermill, Somerset © F Jones, 2021

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#### Banks changes, standing orders and Direct Debits

Further to previous articles we can confirm that our Royal Bank of Scotland bank account will be closing in March 2022. This is being done at the request of the bank as part of their strategic plan following the government intervention. WMT is consolidating its banking with Charities Aid Foundation (CAF), which is a specialist banking provider for the charity sector. Whilst it is not one of the big six, and therefore not at the forefront of technology and services, it is designed for charities with its systems reflecting the way we work and costs kept to a minimum.

For those who make payments by online Bacs transfer you may find that if your bank uses the Confirmation of Payee stage, when account name and numbers are checked, then our account is not yet recognised. It may say the payee is unavailable and your bank may suggest it is inadvisable to progress your payment. You can however still make the payment it is just because CAF is a smaller bank it is not on that system yet as it was initially rolled out to the big six banks. You can proceed with payment and if you want to confirm our details we provide them on page 15 and on the website at <a href="https://www.warmemorials.org/donate">www.warmemorials.org/donate</a>. CAF Bank explains the position on its website at <a href="https://www.cafonline.org/caf-bank/help-support-hub/faqs-staying-secure">www.cafonline.org/caf-bank/help-support-hub/faqs-staying-secure</a>. If you are not comfortable progressing a Bacs transfer there are many other ways to make a donation via our website including by credit/debit card or PayPal.

We have written to all those who donate via standing order at least once to request your help in transferring your amazing gifts. Thank you so much to all those who have made the change including the many who have kindly increased the amount they give. For those supporters yet to respond, we are reviewing the bank statements to spot those yet to make the change and will write again. Once the account has closed any attempt to make a standing order payment will fail and the funds will be returned to your account. As such if you pay your annual subscription this way your membership will lapse. We will however be paying close attention to this in the year ahead and will be getting in touch to let you know if this occurs.

With the changes we have made to the online payments on our website you can now opt to set up a Direct Debit to make a contribution. Just click on the Donate button on either the Join, <u>www.warmemorials.org/join</u>, or Donate, <u>www.warmemorials.org/donate</u>, pages to set up a regular subscription or donation payment.

## Public Engagement - Can you help?

Thank you to everyone who got involved with our Can you help? requests in 2021. With your help, we solved all but one case from last year's Bulletins. The missed one is Hilton near Middlesbrough (WMO/201654) so if anyone can get there please take a look. Furthermore, after being inspired by reading the stories and requests featured here, many supporters went online, themselves or with the help of family or friends. www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk to find more cases using the Can you help? search filter.

Your efforts help to monitor the condition of grant cases, check they remain in good condition and identify if they are being properly maintained. Concerns are followed up by the Trust's Conservation Team, who review the details and, where appropriate, reach out to custodians to offer our help. One example is Rumney Hall in South Glamorgan which featured in November's Bulletin having received a grant in 2017 (<u>WMO/116567</u>). Thank you to Ken Corke for visiting and confirming it remains in Good condition.

Due to the overwhelming success in solving these cases to date, we will be featuring more in 2022. It seems that many of you are keen to get involved and we hope this will continue. In this edition, we have included one case per region/country of the UK. They all received grant funding during the World War I centenary so ideally need a check. There are many more on the website.

If you are able to visit any then please add your photos and condition updates directly to the War Memorials Online record afterwards. Staff will review the information provided. Alternatively, you can email or post details to the Team but these will take longer to process due to the administration involved. Contact details can be found on page 2.

#### Northern Ireland

Brookeborough Boer War memorial in County Fermangh has a lion on the top fronted by the coat of arms of the Inniskillings Fusiliers. Following grant funding in 2017, current photos and a condition update would be very helpful, <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> <u>memorial/189289</u>.

#### Scotland

Kilwinning Abbey WW1 memorial, North Ayrshire takes the form of a cross on a stepped base. Behind the cross stands a curved wall with a dedication to the fallen. In 2016, a grant of £3,640 assisted repairs. We are seeking a condition update and photos, <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> memorial/72084

#### Wales

First Rifle Battalion, The Monmouthshire Regiment memorial in Powells Place, Newport received £217, alongside an award from Cadw, in 2015 towards conservation and repair work. We would be most grateful if someone could visit to take photos and check condition, <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> <u>memorial/200460</u>

#### **East Midlands**

Great Houghton WWI and WWII cross in Northamptonshire received £1,000 in 2017. Works included steam cleaning and repairs to the loose and failing mortar. A few years on from the funding, we would like to see if the memorial remains in Good condition. Can you help? <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> memorial/168413

#### East of England

In Burwell, Cambridgeshire, the war memorial is located in St Mary's Church. It features a gabled timber plaque and stone base. In 2018, a grant of £6,200 assisted conservation and repair works to the base of the memorial which had become badly eroded from historic water ingress. Can you visit for us to check condition and take photos?

www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/ memorial/138056

#### London

The calvary cross at All Saints Church in Fulham received £5,312 in 2016 towards steam cleaning, repairs to the stone pinnacles, lime mortar repairs and repointing, application of microcrystalline wax and treatment of the timber with teak oil. Could you check its condition and take photos? <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u>memorial/111709

## Public Engagement - Can you help?

#### North East

Riding Mill Roll of Honour, Northumberland, was previously located in the entrance of the old village hall, which has been converted into residential use. After a period in storage, £3,270 supported cleaning, treatment for woodworm, repair of the broken bronze detailing, improving the inscription and a wax treatment for protection. The memorial is now located at Riding Mill Parish Hall and we would be most grateful if someone could take photos and check the condition in its new location, www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/memorial/217635



#### North West

Bradshaw Cricket Club war memorial is located at Bradshaw War Memorial Cricket, Tennis and Bowling Club in Bolton. It takes the form of a remembrance stone. In 2016, WMT provided £1,070 towards gentle cleaning and re-pointing. Can you visit the memorial to take photos and provide a condition update several years on from the funding? <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> <u>memorial/81049</u>

#### Yorkshire and the Humber

Silkstone cross in South Yorkshire received funding towards professional advice in 2016. A further grant for conservation and repair works followed in 2017. Works included stone indent repairs, lime mortar re-pointing and cleaning. It is located on the village green and commemorates the fallen of both World Wars. Can you visit to check condition and take photos?

www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/ memorial/96096

#### West Midlands

Walton war memorial in Warwickshire is a wheel cross located in the village centre. In 2016, £650 was awarded towards cleaning with water and bristle brushes then repainting the raised lettering in black paint to improve legibility. We are looking for someone to visit and take some up-to-date photos and check condition,

www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/ memorial/73495

#### South East

Burgess Hill war memorial, West Sussex, is sited at the junction of Church Walk and Crescent Road. It includes a figure of St George atop a stone pillar and stepped base. The memorial received a Professional Advice Grant which led to a further grant towards the conservation works in 2018. We would like some recent photos of the memorial illustrating its current condition, Can you help? <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> <u>memorial/125782</u>

#### South West

Feniton war memorial lychgate, Devon, is located at St Andrews Church and received a War Memorials Trust grant in 2017. A few years on we would like to assess the current condition of the memorial. Could you visit to take some photos and check condition? <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk/</u> memorial/08850

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Above left: Riding Mill (WM9609) © Broomhaugh and Riding Parish Council, 2017 Above: Feniton (WM584) © Dr J Withrington, 2017

## **Conservation News and Learning**



#### National Heritage List for England

For those of you with an interest in England's designated heritage you may have seen that Historic England has re-presented the online information for the National Heritage List for England, <u>https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list</u>. The new layout shows the information using tabs and indicates how you can help Enrich the List.



The overview page for Bacton war memorial in Suffolk is shown above. You can click on the 'Official List Entry' or 'Comments and Photos' tabs for more information.

Bacton is another of WMT's Can you help? requests. If you are able to visit it to take photographs for War Memorials Online you may also wish to add information about the war memorial to Historic England's website to help Enrich the List. The Protection tab on each War Memorials Online record should indicate if a war memorial is listed in England and link to the National Heritage List for England. For other nation's the information is more patchy. We need help to improve this.

#### Learning

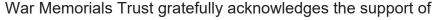
It is great to see the ongoing engagement with the Learning website, www.learnaboutwarmemorials.org.

Unsurprisingly, November is always the most active month and the third quarter of 2021-22, October to December, saw 2,693 unique users visiting the website compared to 2,285 the previous year.

However, the material on the website is not just for use in November. The array of resources cover a variety of subjects including major events and their connection to our war memorials. In April 2022 it will be the 107<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gallipoli campaign. The website has helpsheets and information to assist secondary school teachers engage their students with this.

They can be used alongside other resources such as War Memorials Online, <u>www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk</u>. A search on the website brings up 100 records with a keyword connection to Gallipoli. These range from a plaque in Paul Church, Penzance commemorating those lost in the Dardanelles to the 1<sup>st</sup> Ross-shire Mountain Battery Memorial in Stornoway on the Isle of Lewis.









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as well as The Swire Charitable Trust, The Hugh Fraser Foundation and The John Cowan Foundation.

## War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme - Troedyrhiw

Troedyrhiw war memorial is located in the Park on Archer Street (WMO/259907). The village is near Merthyr Tydfil in Mid Glamorgan. The memorial is listed at Grade II. It takes the form of a solider in mourning pose, with head bowed and hands crossed over the butt, rifle reversed. He stands atop a pedestal of granite and sandstone on a fivestepped base. The inscription reads "Arwyr y byd herio r bedd".

In 2020, War Memorials Trust received a funding enquiry related to replacing the missing rifle. This is not uncommon with such designs as rifles are sadly often stolen, or damaged through attempted theft.

Discussing the case, the Conservation Team noted additional concerns about the overall condition of the memorial. There was a significant loss of lime mortar pointing from construction joints and displacement of some of the stones at the base. In addition, the paint from the incised lettering had faded or failed making it hard to read. The Trust advised that while the like-for-like replacement of the rifle was eligible for grant, conservation project should any be comprehensive and address all issues.

The custodians responded positively to this proposal and submitted an application for the wider works. A Grant Offer was made

through War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme, supported by the amazing donations the charity receives from its supporters, thank you.

The project saw the war memorial cleaned with displaced steps realigned to structure ensure the was Construction joints secure. were re-pointed, faded inscriptions re-painted and the rifle reinstated as a like-for-like copy of the original. Works were completed in autumn 2021 and our grant of £4,950 was paid.



Above: Troedyrhiw war memorial after works (WM11568); Below: Missing and reinstated rifle; All © Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, 2020-21

Following the end of World War I, a committee was set up to erect Troedyrhiw's memorial and to fundraise. Cornelius Pryce, a monumental mason based in Troedyrhiw, was appointed as the sculptor and architect. Once works were completed, the memorial was unveiled by Major-General C. J. Deverall at a ceremony held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 1921. The names of 56 men from Troedyrhiw who lost their lives in World War I are inscribed on the front and side of the pedestal. Whilst the rear carries the names of an additional 17 men who fell in World War II.



## War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme - Manchester

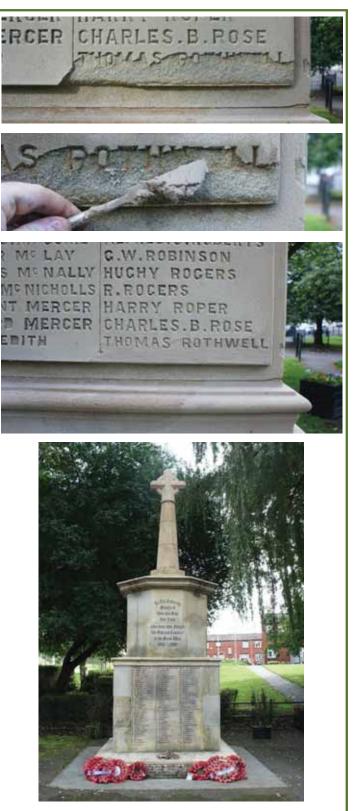
Early in 2020, War Memorials Trust made two Grant Offers and issued two Grant Offers in principle to four war memorial projects in Manchester. The two Offers in principle were in due course converted to full offers and the works to all four projects are discussed here.

On our front cover is Clayton war memorial in Clayton Hall Park on Ashton New Road (WMO/261829). The memorial was unveiled on 20<sup>th</sup> August 1920. A grant of £990 supported works to clean and re-point the war memorial. Alongside this, shown in the photographs to the right, an area of delaminated stone had meant the partial loss of the name of Thomas Rothwell. Work was needed to reinstate the lettering. Interestingly, of the seven T Rothwell's recorded by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission as having died in World War I the only one with a record associated with Clayton is Private Tom Rothwell. This demonstrates how people can be correctly commemorated with different names.

To address damage like this there are two possible approaches. The more invasive technique is to indent which involves cutting out the damaged stone and placing a new piece in its place. This can be difficult depending on the location and introduces new joints which will require regular maintenance.

Following best conservation practice it is preferable to use a less invasive option. This would be a lime mortar repair as shown in the photographs. Loose stone was removed to create a stable working environment. Then the area was rebuilt with lime mortar. The mortar was then inscribed with the name. This has resulted in a discreet well blended repair which means that Thomas Rothwell's name can again be read.

Collyhurst war memorial, shown right, is on Rochdale Road in Harpurhey (<u>WMO/214109</u>). It is a small wheel cross on top of a large two-tier base and is sited within an area enclosed by low railings. The memorial was unveiled on the 25<sup>th</sup> May 1923 by the 18<sup>th</sup> Earl of Derby. It received a grant of £990.



Top: Clayton before, during and after (WM252) © Halycon Conservation, 2021 Above: Collyhurst after works (WM5127) © Manchester City Council, 2021 Right: 8th Ardwick Bttn memorial before and after (WM5664) © Halycon Conservation, 2021 then Didsbury after (WM5666) © Manchester City Council, 2021

## War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme - Manchester

Collyhurst war memorial had undergone previous inappropriate interventions. This included the introduction of new sections of cast concrete based stones and re-pointing in cement based mortar. These elements were too hard to work appropriately with the original stone resulting in damage.

The original stone was also sanding and spalling because the memorial had become saturated by water and salts. The surrounding environment means it is not able to completely dry out. Overhanging trees limit sunlight which prevents it drying and the damp conditions increase biological growth which can then retain more water. Often Grant Offers will include recommendations related to the wider environment, such as cutting back trees, encouraging custodians to balance the needs of the historic and natural environments

A combination of hand and steam cleaning was used on the monument. It was repointed in lime mortar and the viable inscriptions were in-filled with an appropriate black oil-based enamel paint. A conservation approved consolidant was also used to stabilise the areas of stone damage and prolong their lifespan.

8<sup>th</sup> Ardwick Battalion Manchester Regiment war memorial, shown below, is located in Ardwick Green Park (<u>WMO/247846</u>). The Grade II listed domed Cenotaph has lonic columns at the corners.  $\pounds$ 1,880 helped clean the memorial by hand using a natural bristle brush and water. Joints were re-pointed with an appropriate lime mortar.

The inscription on the front reads: "To the glorious memory of members of the 8<sup>th</sup> (Ardwick) Battalion Manchester Regiment who gave their lives in the cause of liberty and justice in the Great War 1914-1918 They died that we might live in freedom". The rear carries: "In memory of all ranks who died on active service in the Second World War 1939 -1945 Erected by their comrades and friends". Details of the inscriptions on the other memorials mentioned in this article can be found on the corresponding War Memorials Online records.

Didsbury war memorial is located on Wilmslow Road in West Didsbury (<u>WMO/214730</u>). It is a Grade II listed Portland stone memorial cross set within a small closed, railed garden, below right. It was unveiled on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1921, again, by Lord Derby. The names of the fallen from World War II were added at a later date on a plaque attached to the base.

The stonework was cleaned. The bronze plaques were also cleaned and a protective coating of micro-crystalline wax applied to protect them. Missing white letter infills were reinstated. A grant of £1,710 was awarded towards the works.



## **Grants for War Memorials - Daventry, Northamptonshire**



Daventry war memorial in Northamptonshire is located by the roadside in a small elevated memorial garden (<u>WMO/108953</u>). It is enclosed by a low rubble wall and sited near to the Grade I listed Church of Holy Cross and the Grade II Abbey Building.

The memorial is constructed of local sandstone. The octagonal stepped base supports a square pedestal. It is surmounted by a tapering shaft and a cross with a sword in relief on the front face. There are four name tablets around the pedestal with inset lead lettering. A further brass plaque is attached to the front. It commemorates 114 local men who died in World War I with 31 added after World War II.



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In 2021, the Grants for War Memorials scheme supported by Historic England awarded £1,610 to assist repair and conservation works. The memorial was cleaned using specialist steam equipment. Failing mortar was raked out and the construction joints were re-pointed using a lime mortar. In addition, metal elements were protected with SmartWater through the In Memoriam 2014 initiative which seeks to deter theft from war memorials.

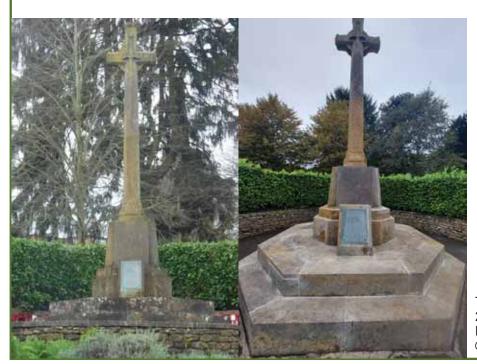


Contemporary newspaper articles reveal the debate over the type of war memorial the people of Daventry would choose as well as where to locate it. Initial hopes for a library were shelved because of concerns around future running costs. Whilst a proposal to erect a memorial at the local recreation ground was considered inappropriate. After numerous votes and meetings, a faculty for

> the memorial we see today was granted in 1921. It was erected by local builders and dedicated in April 1922.

These debates occurred across the country and explain the diversity of our war memorials. Many were in favour of practical memorials whilst preferred purely others commemorative plaques and monuments. Differences of opinion about what is 'respectful' continue today.

Top: Daventry setting © Tom Keyes, 2013 via War Memorials Online; Bottom: Before and after (WM1908) © Daventry Town Council, 2019-21



## **Grants for War Memorials - Sompting, West Sussex**

Sompting war memorial lychgate is located at the entrance to the Grade I Listed St Mary the Blessed Virgin Church (<u>WMO/192663</u>). The village is near Lancing in West Sussex.

In 2021, a grant of £3,330 was awarded through the Grants for War Memorials scheme supported by Historic England. Works were needed as a number of the timbers had rotted. This included the base posts, gate posts and bench seating. Some oak shingles on the roof also needed replacing.

As a historic structure it is important to retain as much of the original fabric as possible. This is one of the key principles that guide best conservation practice. Historic England's Building Conservation Practical series includes specific Timber publication which the Trust, and others, can consult for cases such as this. When considering works to timber structures, a project should look at splicing in new timber to replace rotten sections rather than the complete replacement of elements. This retains original fabric.

This was the approach used on the Sompting lychgate. As can be seen in the final photograph the new timber has a different tone. Over time this will age and weather to match the original oak.

The memorial lychgate was designed by George Weller of Sompting in 1920. It is constructed of English oak and the roof is finished in oak shingles to harmonise with the Saxon tower of the church. A wooden plaque is located in the beams with an incised inscription finished with gilt reading:

"1914 To our glorious dead 1918"

In the centre of the lychgate is a stone and flint constructed coffin rest which was built by Mr Herbert of Broadwater. The stone work was undertaken by Mr F Tate of Worthing. On the sides of the rest are slate panels inscribed with the names of the fallen from World War I. An inscription and the names of the World War II dead have been incised into the rest's cap stone.





Top: A historic postcard showing the lychgate courtesy of W Wright from War Memorials Online, estimated around 1928 (WM9082).

Middle images: The lychgate before works © F Smith, 2020

Bottom: After works © F Smith, 2021



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## **Get involved - Annual appeal**

War Memorials Trust's current appeal was launched in 2019 with the aim to raise **£141,900** over 3 years. In November's Bulletin, we reported that we were just shy of the target and appealed for any further donations to help us achieve our total by the end of March 2022. Since then, you have continued to donate generously and we are delighted to announce that, with a month still to go, we have exceeded our target!

Thanks to your wonderful donations the total raised over the 3-year campaign period, including Gift Aid, is now **£144,500**. The funds secured will make a huge difference to our shared efforts to protect and conserve the UK's war memorials.

In 2021-22, a quarter of the contacted members and supporters of the charity have donated. We would like to thank you all again for your most generous support. We would also like to add a special acknowledgment to those supporters who committed to a regular standing order, or other reoccurring, gift over the course of the campaign. These pledges are not taken for granted and can make a real difference in helping us plan ahead. All the donations have assisted us to maintain our free advisory service, helped the delivery of the grant schemes that support repair and conservation projects and ensured the charity can sustain its wider work.

We still have over a month of this campaign to go if anyone would still like to donate. We are also working on the 2022 appeal which is likely to arrive in June. We hope you can support one this year.



In 2021. our Administrator Paloma experienced the appeal for the first time. She commented that, "since sending the letters in August, I have been touched by the generous response. As I joined the Trust when the campaign was already in its final year, I was unsure if the strong support the charity had seen in previous years would continue, particularly given the challenges of Covid-19 and difficulties many are facing. However, the response has far exceeded my expectations and seeing first-hand the sustained support generosity of our members and and supporters is amazing.

Over the past six months, I have enjoyed reading donation letters and talking to our supporters about why they have donated to our appeal and how important their local war memorials are to them. Seeing this strong response, from across the UK, reflects that we are united by the shared history that war memorials represent."

Donations enable the charity to help projects such as Whitwell war memorial on the Isle of Wight shown below (<u>WMO/112080</u>). The memorial was unveiled in 1920 and a grant from War Memorials Trust in 2019 ensured it was in Good condition for its own centenary.

Your support is important all year round. And we thank you again. If you are ever able to

make a donation you can use the Bulletin form, donate via the website or directly by Bacs, see pages 15-16.

Left: Unveiling in 1920 © Unknown

Right: After grantaided works (WM1656) © Niton and Whitwell Parsh Council, 2019



## **Merchandise**

To order, join or donate complete pages 15-16, detach and send to: War Memorials Trust 1st Floor, 14 Buckingham Palace Rd London SW1W 0QP

#### You need to use a stamp.

Adding freepost to the address will incur a sizeable fee which WMT has to pay. Thank you

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Please complete this order form and your details overleaf then send to the address on the left.

No.	Item	Total
	Set of 3 Trust pens at £6 (inc. p&p)	
	Set of 5 Trust pencils at £4 (inc. p&p)	
	Subtotal	
	Donation	
	Grand total	



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You can donate directly with a bank transfer (Bacs). Please send an email. letter or return this form to let us know what your payment is for and, if possible, include your Supporter number. Some systems may fail these details at the Confirmation of Payee stage. CAF Bank is not on the CoP system yet (roll-out started with the big 6 banks) but these details are

correct and you can still make a payment.

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## **Gift Aid**

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Gift Aid enables War Memorials Trust to reclaim an extra 25p on every pound you donate so your £20 subscription

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becomes £25 and your £250 gift, £312.50. You can Gift Aid your donation if you pay Income or Capital Gains Tax at least equal to the value War Memorials Trust would claim.

Please contact WMT if you would like further information. If you have already made a Gift Aid pledge please do remember to advise us if you move house or cease paying tax.

## Get involved

Please complete and return this form: Bulletin 92

#### Your details

Title First name

Surname

Address

Postcode Telephone

Email

I would like to join/donate to War Memorials Trust

- Membership rates valid until the end of March 2022
- Joint = two people at the same address/an organisation

□ Individual/ joint annual membership	£20/£30
□ Individual/joint life membership	£250/£350
□ Donation of	£

#### **Please tick**

- □ if you want a receipt
- □ if you want to Gift Aid your payment
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Use Gift Aid and you can make your donation worth more. For every £1 you give to us, we get an extra 25p from HMRC. I want to Gift Aid my donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past four years to War Memorials Trust. I am a UK tax payer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax then I the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. Please

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I am making my payment by:

- □ Cheque made out to War Memorials Trust
- □ Via the website already made at www.warmemorials.org/donate

Bank transfer payment already made (details page 15) Credit/debit card (complete details below and ensure a phone number or email is provided above in case of query)



## **Merchandise**

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War Memorials Trust sells a small number of merchandise items to help raise funds and awareness.

You can order them through the Bulletin, using the attached form, or online at www.warmemorials.org/shop. If an item is unavailable on the website shop then it has sold out and been removed.

#### Every purchase helps protect and conserve war memorials.

War Memorials Trust pencils and pens, including post and packaging, per pack cost:

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#### 5 pencils £4 or 3 pens £6





As we go to press, we have a few packets of our 2021 Christmas cards remaining. You can view these on the website. Please telephone 020 7834 0200 if you would like to order so we can confirm if we still have stock.